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Panama Nixes "Popes" Series

Panama will not issue or permit the issuance of the highly controversial "Popes" series through its postal administration. That is the definite word which the Panamanian ambassador to Rome, Italy passed along to Ernest A. Kehr, stamp editor of the New York Herald-Tribune when in New York City recently.

Mr. Kehr's article on the subject reproduced in Linn's some weeks ago, plus adverse editorial comment in Linn's Weekly Stamp News and Stamp Wholesaler (the only two United States philatelic publications which fought the deal) influenced the new president of the Central American Republic to repudiate the commitments of his predecessor and declare that Panama would not a long.

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As conceived by a group of nongovernmental persons in the United States and elsewhere, stamps
would be issued over a period of
ten years which would picture
every one of the Popes of the
Catholic Church.

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Arrangements have been made by the previous Panamanian government to have such stamps released through its post offices but controlled by the syndicate. The syndicate would bring profits to its members.

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syndicate would bring profits to its members.

Objections, which reached some fury in Panama itself, were sent by individual collectors, clubs and other interested groups to the postal administration.

Acording to publicity supplied by the syndicate the first set was to have been released in early March and to have shown Popes with the name of Pius. Release was delayed, and the stamps never did appear.

The sponsoring group had spent several thousand dollars in promotion, artwork and production.

Japan's Next May 16; Honors ICC Congress

Photogravure will be the printing medium for the single 10 yen commemorative Japan will release May 16 for the Fifteenth Congress of the International Chamber of Commerce.

A "paper carp", a traditional figure to the May Boys' Festival, will be seen in the design to be printed in four colors. Production will amount to three million copies in panes of twenty subjects.

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ARMED FORCES RESERVE COMMEM. This design which pictures the five branches of the Reserves—Marine, Coast Guard, Army, Navy, Air Force—will be released May 21 at Washington, D. C., Armed Forces Day. Printing will be on the rotary press from engraved plates in a quantity of 110 million. No color has been chosen by the Post Office

Paintings And Sculpturing On Swedish Stamps, With Biographies Of The Artists

The lives of the members of the Fine Arts Philatelic Unit of the American Topical Association would be much more simple if all countries were like Sweden and all collectors like Swedish collectors. Thanks to Sven Omah, of the Direction General of Posts, Sweden; Axel Heilborn, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Martin Bostrom, of Sweden; an article in "Postage Stamp Designs", published by the National Philatelic Museum; and the book "Scandinavian Art", published by the American-Scandinavian Foundation, it has been possible for us to obtain almost complete information regarding the fine arts shown on stamps of Sweden. We are happy to be able to thank them all for their wonderful cooperation.

#116-138. Heraldic Lion. This was designed by Einar Forseth, from one of the two bronze lions placed below the Royal Palace, Stockholm. They were modeled by the Frenchman Fouquet and cast in Stockholm in 1702-1704.

#164-6. Gustavus II, 1594-1632.

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#164-6. Gustavus II, 1594-1632, known as Gustavus Adolphus and called the "Lion of the North", was one of the greatest generals Sweden has ever had. This portrait was designed by Professor Olle Hjortzberg after a bust modeled in the year 1632 by the German sculptor George Petel. It was cast in Nuremberg in 1643 and is now preserved in the Swedish National Museum.
#167-193; 209-212. Gustaf V has been one of Sweden's most popular sovereigns. To indicate their regards for him, the Swedish people gave him the sum of one million dollars on his 80th birthday. The portrait was made after a painting by Emil Osterman, 1870-1927, one of the better of the modern Swedish artists. In the portrait, the King is shown in the uniform of a general.

eral.
#194-196. Gustavus Vasa, 14961560. By releasing his country from
the tyranny of Denmark, Gustavus
made the free independent development of Sweden a possibility. The
design by Einar Forseth is after a 16th century wooden relief in Grips

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#213-224. Postrider Watching Air-plane. The design of the postrider is after a woodcut which appeared in the newspaper "Postryttare" of the 1600's.

the 1600's.

#230-1. Death of Gustavus Adolphus in the Battle of Lutzen in 1632. What happened, according to the Encyclopedia Britainica, is mere conjecture for a thick mist obscured the autumn sun and the battle became a colossal melee, the details of which are indistinguishable. It was in the midst of that awful obscurity that Gustavus met his death—how or where is not absolutely certain. The stamp shows a detail from the painting by Karl Wahlbom, 1810-1858, painted in 1855, and now in the National Museum. Primarily an animal painter, Wahlbom made an important contribution to Swedish figure-painting. In his popular painting, "The Battle of Lutzen," he shows his great ability to represent the different move-

of Lutzen," he shows his great ability to represent the different movements of horses.
#251. Chancellor Axel Oxenstierna, 1583-1654, became Sweden's chancellor in 1612. The portrait is from a painting by Daniel Dumonstier, 1574-1646, in the Academy of History and Antiquities, Stockholm.
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Will Pay Tribute To Five Armed Reserves Branches; Washington, D.C. First Day

A mediocre stamp design, similar to, but with none of the appeal of the Service Women's issue of 1952, has been chosen for a commemorative to honor the Armed Forces Reserve. It will have its first day of issue on May 21 at Washington, D. C., known as Armed Forces Day. Claimed to have been instrumental in promoting the stamp is the Reserve Officers

Assn. of the United States. Brig. Gen. Wendell Westover, now retired from the Army and living in Albany, N. Y., is said to have had the original idea for such a stamp. It will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimension, arranged horizontally in a double outline frame, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated and issued in sheets of 50. The color of the stamp will be announced later. The printing of 110,000,000 stamps has been authorized.

The overall design portrays five male enlisted personnel, attired Texas and Roswell, New Mexico.

The overall design portrays five male enlisted personnel, attired in the uniform of the branch of service each represents — namely, reading left to right, Marines, Coast Guard, Army, Navy, and Air Force. An eagle and shield form a backdrop for the figures. The wording "Armed Forces Reserve" in dark Gothic, is shown across the top of the stamp, and across the bottom "3c United States Postage 3c" in white face Gothic.

Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of this stamp may send a reasonable number of addressed envelopes to the Postmaster at Washington, D. C., with money order remittance to

Postmaster at Washington, D. C., with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either sealed or turned in. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers."

Set For NORWEX Coming June 4

For the International Stamp Exhibition, "NORWEX", to be held at Oslo, Norway June 4 to 12 the Norwegian Postal Administration will have a set of three stamps. These will be made by overprinting the legend "OSLO-NORWEX" on the three Stamp Centenary commems of Janu-

This trio, all in two colors, reproduce Norway's first stamp, the post horn type, and the Lion type, respectively. Denominations are 20, 30 and 55 ore.

Sale of the set will only be made at the special exhibition post office and can be purchased upon the presentation of an admission ticket costing one krona. Selling price is therefore 2.05 kroner.

The first day of issue is June Sets can be purchased at face, Plus return postage, registration and banker's commission by addressing orders and payments to "NORWEX - OSLO - 1955", The General Secretary, P. O. Box 104, Oslo, Norway.

Cost per set, considering the required fees would amount to approximately 55c (U.S.)

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Envelopes should have the right, contain a stuffer and bear 3c postage. These are then to be sent to the postmasters at the above named offices with a request that they be held for the first HPO trip and given the cachet and postmark.

The National Highway Post Office Society which sent the above news, advises that a change occurred on two other routes April 16. The Des Moines and Shenandoah, Iowa will be changed to Des Moines and Hamburg.

The Estherville and Des Moines have been changed to Spirit Lake and Des Moines.

African Antelopes On Somalia Airmails

Somalia, which is operated under a United Nations trusteeship by Italy, has chosen the month of April for the release of a new definitive airmail series. They will replace the current lot.

The designs should be pleasing to Animals on Stamps topicalists for they will picture the various African antelopes to be found there.

Denominations are 35, 45, 50, 75c and 1.20 and 1.50 somala.

Clab Sponsors Cachet For Annual Rodeo

Again this year the Bay City Stamp Club of Bay City, Texas will sponsor a cachet for the an-nual Firemen's Rodeo May 19 to 21.

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On May 11 the United Nations will issue its second commemorative set of 1955 to honor the work of the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), one of the ten specialized agencies of the United Nations.

Designed by George Hamori of Israel, and awarded first prize in a recent design competition held by the UN Postal Administration on behalf of UNESCO, the stamps show the Agency's symbol, a Doric from the letters UNESCO.

There will be 3c and 8c denominations, in one million copies of each. This being a commemorative there will be no additional printing. The 3c will be in orchid purple, the 8c in kingfisher blue. They will be issued in sheets of 50, with marginal inscriptions will apply, and collectors should also remember to allow for return postage and registration when left and twice on the right of each sheet.

For this set, the UN Postal Ad-

For this set, the UN Postal Administration has initiated a new policy whereby no control num-ber will appear upon the sheets.



The stamps will be placed on sale at face value at UN Head-quarters, New York, and at the European Office of the UN in Geneva, at the prices established for this office on Wednesday May 11. In London, the stamps will be available to dealers only, against payment in sterling.

The following conditions will apply with regard to collectors desiring to submit envelopes for first-day cancellation servicing:

1. First day service is only given at Headquarters, New York, against payment in U. S.

2. Persons desiring first day cancellations of the stamps may send in a reasonable number of addressed unstamped envelopes to the UN Postal Administration, United Nations, New York. Envelopes should be addressed in the lower left-hand corner. All covers will be mailed out individually.

3. The outside envelope must

3. The outside envelope must be clearly marked "First Day Covers — UNESCO."

4. Remittance to cover the cost of stamps to be affixed must be enclosed in either money or-der or certified check. Personal checks will not be accepted, nor

will postage stamps.
5. It should be clearly marked in pencil, in the upper right

ed in pencil, in the upper right hand corner of each envelope the denomination and quantity of stamps to be affixed thereon.

6. A filler of medium weight should be placed in each envelope, and the flap turned in. A poor cover might result if no filler is provided.

7. Requests for marginal inscription blocks will be filled only as far as possible, depending up-

as far as possible, depending up-on the number of marginal in-scriptions available. On the other hand, the normal UN Postal Ad-ministration, requirements hand, the normal UN Postal Administration requirements concerning the number of stamps which must be purchased to obtain a marginal inscription are waived. However, no positional requests can be honored.

8. No mixed orders for both first day covers and mint stamps will be processed. Such orders will be returned to the sender. Separate orders for mint stamps

Separate orders for mint stamps will be accepted, but these must be addressed to the UN Postal

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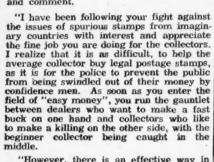
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Webster's Definition Of A Stamp

We have a letter from Mr. E. Das of Haworth, N. J. which attacks current labels in another manner. Mr. Das has very thoughtfully looked up the definition of a stamp in his Webster Dictionary and it is interesting to note his comments, which if you read and follow will keep you away from all labels. Let us quote his letter

and comment.



"However, there is an effective way in which a campaign can be launched against such practices. This is Webster's definisuch practices. tion of a STAMP:

"STAMP Spec. An official mark set on things chargeable with a government duty or tax on papers legally requiring execution under certain conditions to signify that the duty or tax has been paid or condition fulfilled. Also a paper adhesive label affixed for official mark set on things chargeable with a government duty or tax or on papers legally requiring execution under certain conditions to signify that the duty or tax has been paid or the condition fulfilled.

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"This statement definitely places the Albanian, Croatian and etc. labels in one category-seals and not stamps, because no government backs these seals.

"Thus, if we never refer to these seals as 'stamps', we place them in their proper light with one stroke. Even young collectors know the difference between seals and stamps.

"Thus in the light of the above definition all stamps should be judged under questions as follows:

"1. Has it been accepted to pay postage by the U. S. P. O. Dept? Has it been available at legitimate post offices run by a recog-

nized Government?

"3. Has it been used on letters with proper cancellations? "4. Could you mail it from the country in question directly or indirectly?

"If these questions can be answered in the affirmative, I'm sure that people would be reluctant to buy everything printed on paper to look like stamps. Dealers will persist in handling spurious issues of seals under the guise of stamps, but they will suffer from their own folly if enough light is shed on seals of questionable background."

Said Panama Hattie, "Oh Dear! Our Pope stamps are flops, I fear, The public will guy them The dealers won't buy them And collectors can give a big cheer."

All Philatelists Are Crazy

GEORGE W. LINN

Westbrook Pegler says so, so it must be so if you are a person who believes what Pegler writes. Anyhow his reason for that remark is best explained by some remarks in a recent column from which we quote portions, since the rest of it might make some think Pegler was crazy also. But here is what he had to say leaving out irrelevant matter... "the time that Roosevelt, Ickes and a select few others each got a sheet of unperforated three-cent stamps from Jim Farley, knowing they had enournous value in the philadlic market. they had enormous value in the philatelic market.

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"... larency is out of his line. One of those who got a sheet could not resist the temptation to double-cross the rest so his little treasure bobbed up in Virginia.

"All philatelists are crazy, anyway, and the news of this set them to jabbering all over the country, with the result that Farley turned an embarrassment into a slight financial profit for the Government by printing thousands of imperforate sheets of the same stamp and selling them at face value to a lot of dopes who then had nothing but so many ordinary three-cent stamps.

"Of course, the original sheets still were rarities because they were autographed by all hands round and were distinguished by their scandalous history.

autographed by all hands round and were distinguished by their scandalous history.

"Roosevelt's very own sheet with certified proof that this was the one by which he tried to graft \$100,000 might be worth \$100,000 still on that account. For that matter, Jim's might be a treasure, too."

If Pegler had only said that those who shouted for a reprint of the Farleys and the Scott Cataloguers who listed them as stamps were crazy, we would go along with him on the idea, but when he says all stamp collectors are crazy we can not agree. For stamp collecting, followed in a proper manner, is one of the finest hobbies that anyone can follow and if the way I live and collect stamps is crazy, then I am glad to be crazy.

A New Racket

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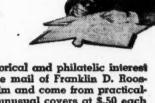
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After looking at the design for the Armed Forces Reserve commem, I can see where a red hot battle is going to develop for the Worst Design among the 1955 stamps, in the next Annual Design Derby. The other candidate, of course, is the Land Grant Colleges which was as poor a piece of stamp art as we have had for a few years.

Begins to look now as if the present administration is slipping like the previous one did in the matter of choosing events to commemorate, designs and colors. Probably the bulk of the special stamps for the next eighteen months will be politically inspired with the intention of "fluffing up" various segments of the population for their votes.

PMG Summerfield and his boys

PMG Summerfield and his boys were pretty good for the first two

1. Two of the 35 Famous Americans designs picture their subjects wearing a hat or cap. Can you name them?

2. Which of the Famous Americans poets used the pen name, Benj. F. Johnson of Boone?

A column ago mention was made of the Rocky Run Local Mail service operated by Lewis Leigh of West Virginia. Today another local delivery operator gets the spotlight. He is Frederick P. Schmitt Centerport L. I. N. Y.

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Service came into being.

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The local stamp mentioned was triangular shaped and of a poor design. It was produced in a hurry. This one will be replaced June 1

with an entirely new design having a sailing vessel, a compass face, an anchor and a map. Its face value is 1c. Mail, of course must bear the usual U. S. postage of 3c for one ounce or less letters, or 2c for postal cards.

Service will run from May to October again this season when the population of this summer colony is greatly increased.

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Don't be surprised if the Post Office Department announces a stamp to note the 10th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. Reidar Tvedt, chief of the UN Postal Administration, has in mind a set of two or more from his place of business, and it is known that a number of the member nations of the "lodge" will go along with various size issues.

The United States was one of the prime movers in the establishment of the organization and even though it is only a tenth anniversary it Don't be surprised if the Post Of-

it is only a tenth anniversary it would hardly seem proper for Uncle Sammy to neglect the opportunity of saying "Bravo" with one or more stickers.

more stickers.

The few of you who lay aside your stamps in the warmer months should prepare to do so with certain precautions. Heat causes curling, and tackiness of the gum (if there is accompanying high humidity) both of which could leave you with damaged mint items when you resume activity this fall.

A lot of folks have told me in recent years that they do almost as much stamping in the summer as they do in the other months. That seems to be true, at least up in this part of the world. There are many things one can collect and work with in the summer months—in fact just about everything except mint stamps. And you can handle the latter with minor precautions.

Attendance at the big New York City ASDA National Postage Stamp Show each November is generally confined to residents of the surrounding states. There are a lot of folks I am sure who would like to take in one of these giant philatelic hassles, but haven't the time or money or both to go east or north to NYC.

A junior size edition of the above.

money or both to go east or north to NYC.

A junior size edition of the above-mentioned event will be the ASDA Show at Chicago May 13 to 15. It will be set up in the Palmer House. Now Chicago is a place which is easily gotten to by a lot of people of the central states. It seems as though all the railroads, bus lines and air lines have terminals there and wonderful highways lend to safe and speedy auto progress.

You who can possibly do so should try to visit the Show for a day or two or three. And while you are there don't forget to come to the booth of Linn's Weekly Stamp News and say hello. Yours truly will be there to greet you.

Chicago is fine for families, too. Last year during the SPA convention we took our three children there and showed them the many fascinating things which can only be seen in the hig cities including

fascinating things which can only be seen in the big cities, including that paradise for kids, the Museum of Science and Industry. There are scads of places for "mom" to shop, too—but I'll betcha she knows about that treat from a long time back that treat from a long time back.

1. Wai Walt Whitman and John Phil-

2. James Whitcomb Riley.

City Despatch Issue In March Philatelist

The March "Collectors Club Philatelist" has as its feature article the Plating of the City Despatch Post Stamps of 1842-1850, by Frank S. Levi, Jr. This article, taking up this first United States adhesive postage stamp, brings the many known varieties for the first time into their mutual relationships. This is done with a lavish use of illustrations showing every variety in the sheet of 42 stamps.

Further valuable new philatelic material is included in the form of the first section of an article on Soruth (India), the first two issues, by L. E. Dawson, and the final instalment of the listings of Guadelouve postal markings of Guadelouve postal for \$1.25 post free, from the Collectors Club. 22 E. 35th St., New York 16, N. Y. The March "Collectors Club

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The Antarctic was released on The Antarctic was released on the Australian mainland on No-vember 17, 1954 but the post office could not arrange simul-taneous release at its three polar post offices due to their extreme isolation.

At Macquarie Island it was released on December 23, 1954; Heard Island on January 23, 1955. The first day of issue for the Mawson post office (the only permanent post office on the Antarctic mainland) was February 16, 1955.

The Heard Island base and post

Antarctic mainland) was February 16, 1955.

The Heard Island base and post office has now been closed down after only a year's operation so no further cancels will be available from this outpost.

First day covers and postcards from the three polar bases bear normal circular cancels wit' the date, the base and the letters A.N.A.E. (for Australian National Antarctic Research Expeditions) and the abbreviation Aust. for Australia.

The Mawson cancel contains the additional words "Antarctic Terr." because the post office there is on the mainland, whereas Macquarie and Heard Islands are not attached to the mainland but are separate islands in Antarctic waters.

Each card or envelope also bears the cachet inscribed within a frame "3½d Australian Antarctic commemorative stam p First Day of issue at Heard Island" etc., with "Macquarie Island" etc., with "Macquarie Island" and "Mawson Aust. Ant. Terr." on cards from those places.

The cachets were very clumsily applied at Heard Island and a Very large percentage cannot be clearly deciphered. Seven Seas Stamps of Dubbo NSW report that only about half the cards they received back from Heard Island are in saleable condition due to rough handling, poor cancelling and illegible cachets. On the other hand cachets were applied with great care at Mawson post office, and the Macquarie Island cachets were fairly good.

Bay Ridge To Have One Day Exhibition

Only members will display their collections during the exhibition of the Bay Ridge Stamp Society on Tuesday, April 19. The show will be set up in the group's usual meeting place, the American Legion Post at 9002 Fourth Ave. in Brooklyn, N. Y.

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One of France's premier story-tellers was the subject of a 12fr light and dark green commemorative issued April 2, with a special first day cancellation being applied in the town of Sauve. He is Jean Pierre Claris de Florian, poet and romancer, born in 1755 in the family castle near Anduze, Languedoc in the south of France.

He was related to Voltaire, who patronized his youth, as other powerful men of culture did his maturity. Florian served for a time in the army but soon resigned to devote himself to literature. He was imprisoned at the outbreak of the French Revolution and did not long survive the effects of his incarceration.

He first attracted attention in 1782 by versified epistles and eclogues

He first attracted attention in 1782 by versified epistles and eclogues (poems with pastoral subjects), imitated Cervantes and Gessner in his "Galatee (1783) and Fenelon and Marmontel in "Numa Pompilius" (1786), an educational work of wide popularity. This opened to him the Academy (1788), and in that year he published his once famous restead. "Extelle"

pastoral "Estelle".

The "Gonzalve de Cordue" (1791) and his collection of "Fables", in the manner of La Fontaine, now considered the best part of his works completed his literary contributions.

Florian died in Paris on September 13, 1794. All his works are delicately sentimental, turning to idyllic artificiality the nature cult of Rousseau.

The cover is from Pierre A. Cubells, 2 Rue des Graviers, Soissons

(Aisne), France.

Early Stamps In Exhibition Set

To mark the centenary of the issue of the first Swedish postage stamp the Swedish Post Office Department will issue, on July 1, a reprint of the first stamps, the famous "skilling banco" series. The set will use the actual 1868-style book, advises Martin Bostrom of Oreboro, Sweden. boro, Sweden.



The new issue is being made in conjunction with the International Stamp Exhibition, "Stockholmia 1955", to be held at Liljevalchs Konsthall in Stockholm from July 1-10. The stamps are printed in sheets of nine in the same colors and on the same type of hand-made paper as the original issue, but can be distinguished by the watermark (a crown with the date 1955) and by the two parallel lines over the value in the lower part of the design. The lines are printed in the same color as the stamps but in a slightly darker shade.

As the Swedish currency has been reformed since the first postage stamps, the values of the new ones must be reckoned as the same number of ore, i.e. the new "3 skill. b:co" will have a franking value of 3 ore, the new "4 skill. b:co" will have a franking value of 3 ore, the new "4 skill. b:co" at the same stamps the issues must be a limited one, however a quantity large enough to meet the estimated demand has been printed.

They will be on sale from

been printed.

They will be on sale from July 1-10 at the exhibition post office only in complete sets, com-

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prising the values 3, 4, 6, 8 and 24 ore, and will cost 45 ore in all. An admission ticket to the exhibition, which costs 2 kronor, entitles the holder to purchase one set.

one set.

In order that collectors may conveniently obtain a "First Day Cover" stamped with the "skilling banco" series and postmarked with the date July 1, 1955, provision has been made for advance orders by the Stockholmia 55 Secretariat, Generalpoststyrelsen, Stockholm 1, Sweden. The price will be the same for exhibition visitors, 2:45 kronor.

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Will Prepare FDC's For Jamaica Four

On May 10 Jamaica will cele-brate the 30th anniversary of its being a part of the British Commonwealth of Nations and

Commonwealth of Nations and will note the occasion philatelically with a set of four stamps. (See page one, April 11 edition). The Celebration Committee believes that many collectors would like to have first day covers bearing the set and has therefore prepared a cacheted envelope to which the stamps will be affixed.

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Plans for the Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition (FIPEX) which will be held in New York City from March 3 to 11, 1956 are rapidly being formulated. This stamp show will be the opening event in the New York Coliseum, now under construction at Columbus Circle in New York City. The first prospectus for FIPEX, providing regulations and other information for exhibitors, will be issued shortly. The appearance of this publication will signal increased activity in preparation for what is believed will be the greatest international stamp show ever held in the United States.

Construction of the New York

Construction of the New York Coliseum is ahead of schedule and plans for FIPEX are progressing equally satisfactorily, it was amnounced by Richard S. Bohn, president of The Association for Stamp Exhibitions, Inc., at the annual meeting of the organization held recently.

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JAMAICA. This colony plans to release in May, the four stamps to commemorate the 300th anniversary as a British Territory. They will be in two colors and are 2 pence, 2½ pence, 3 pence and 6 pence. This set was mentioned in this column last Detioned in this column last De-cember when they were ordered from the printers.

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NEW ZEALAND. A set of three stamps will be issued on July 18 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of New Zealand's first postage stamp. A 2d stamp in brown and green will depict a Maori mail carrier. A 3d carmine stamp will show a portrait of Queen Elizabeth set in a frame similar to that of the first Queen Victoria stamp issued in 1855. A 4d dark blue and light blue, will show a Douglas DC-3 airliner in flight.



Shown herewith is the 4d blue in

the new official series, an attractive bit of stamp art.

INTERNATIONAL STAMP INTERNATIONAL STAMP
EXHIBITION. The Federation of
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will hold an International Stamp
Exhibition at Auckland from July
16 to July 22 to commemorate
the anniversary.

1955 HEALTH STAMPS. It is
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l 1955 HEALTH STAMPS. It is planned to place these New Zealand semipostals on sale October 3 and to withdraw them on January 31, 1956. There will be three values, 2d (1½ plus ½d), 3d (2d plus 1d) and 4d (3d plus 1d). They will be bicolored.

FIJI. The 1/6 George VI #142 was limited in use and it was ex-

FIJI. The 1/6 George VI #142 was limited in use, and it was expected that it would soon appear with the portrait changed. However, a recent reprinting of this



CENTENARY DESIGNS. trio will have its first day of issue on July 18 marking the 100th an-niversary of the first postage stamps of New Zealand R. M. Conly designed the 2d (top) showing an early Maori mail runner. A. G. Mitchell was responsible for the 4d picturing a plane, while James Berry adapted Queen Eliza-beth's portrait in place of Queen Victoria's who appeared in this spot on the 3d (bottom). James H. Naile of Indianapolis sent the stamp pictures.

value was with the George VI portrait—BUT—with a new perforation, 13 x 1334.

variety looks good and is given by Fyndem in Stamp Collecting (London) as the week's good FYND, mint or used.

SEYCHELLES, The search for Crown watermark errors continues among all colonies and new discoveries are being made, many in Seychelles. At a recent London auction sale, a mint copy of the 1938 15c #160, with the St. Edward's Crown watermark, sold for 7 Pounds 10 shillings (\$21.00).

CANADA. The special issues of Canada are always popular and in demand. In order to supply it most are issued in substantial numbers, usually around 50 million. One exception was the 5c Capex (312 of which only 5,050,000 were issued, although 49,750,000 of the 4c value #311 were issued. This entire set of 4 stamps (311-314) is getting scarce and looks good.

GIBRALTAR. Much has been written about the 1938, two pence gray stamp #110 with watermark sideways. In a recent auction sale in London, a mint copy of this variety, perf 13½ sold for 21 Pounds. This stamp was only issued in coils and does not exist in blocks.

GPS Chapter Plans Unique Open House

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bring their albums and at conveniently arranged tables will display and tell about them. Other members of the chapter with large collections will have open house at their homes where interested persons can down in the

open house at their homes where interested persons can drop in to view and learn.

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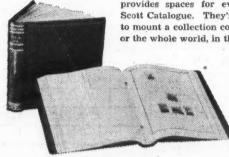
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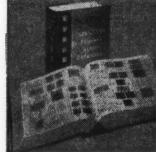
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Plate Number Report

On the 3c Liberty, 36 plate numbers have been reported to date, complete in all positions. Until it becomes too long, we will review and list all the plate numbers every few months. The latest reported, beside the 36, are #25077 UR and #25084 UR.

On the 2c Jefferson, these ave been seen, complete in all have positions: #25046 #25047 #25050 #25056 #25057 #25061 #25062 #25079 #25081

Number 25051 has not been seen too much and to the previously reported L.R. position, add the U.R.

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5c Monroe — The first two numbers, 25087 and 25088, have been previously reported in all four positions. A third, 25091, has been seen in L.R. position.

Booklet Panes — 3c Liberty — #24980 U.L. and L. L., and #24981 U.L. and L. L.

3c Liberty Coils - #24972 bot-

Small 6c Airmail No. C-39 Small 6c Airmail No. C-39—
To the most recent record,
#24859 and #24860 in all positions, #24550 and #24551 have
previously been reported in the
U.L. and U.R. positions, and most
recently additional reports came
in for the L.R. and L.L. positions on both numbers, thus
bringing the 6c airmail complete
and fully up to date.

8c Rotary International—All

four numbers have been reported complete in all positions:

#25125 #25126 #25127 #25128

8c Liberty — First we want to correct the typographical errors from our previous report. In one instance the blue 24926 was erroneously listed as 24936. In anroneously listed as 24936. In another instance, near the end of the report, the number should have been 233 instead of 288 (the different number of combinations having been reported at that time. that time).

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The 8c Liberty combinations seem to be coming through unusually well. Additional reports have come through which have completed all positions on blue 24932, with red 24936. Blue 24932 has been reported now in all positions, with red 24935 and 24936. Blue 24930 now complete in all positions, with red 24936 and red 24937.

The most elusive plate number combinations seem to be with blue 24926. In fact all other combinations have now been completely reported, except those with blue 24926. Actually, out of the entire 248 combinations presently existing on the 8c Liberty, only with some complete of the combination of the combinations of the entire 248 combinations presently existing on the 8c Liberty, only with some complete of the combinations of t

ently existing on the 8c Liberty, only six positions are short. They

Blue 24926, red 24916 LL posi-

tion. Blue **24926**, red **24917** UL posi-

tion. Blue 24926, red 24919 UL, UR

The reports coming in on the other issues, like the 3c Liberty, 2c Jefferson, 1c Washington, 4c airmail, the coils and booklet panes, have been exceptionally good. Grateful acknowledgement is herewith expressed to the fol jood. Grateful acknowledgement ions, #24550 and #24551 have is herewith expressed to the following: Nelson P. La Ganke, Cleveland, Ohio; William J. Hiester, Virge A. Babcock, J. H. Ross, Delmer C. Cooper, Ralph E. Young and George Edwards. We have reason to feel that there may be a degree of restraint or an effort to limit the

assignment and printing of many more 3c numbers to the current series, due to the effort now be-ing exerted to raise the postal rates on first class mail to 4c.

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Lincoln A. Russell of Columbus, Chicoin A. Russell of Columbus,
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Saar Stamp Wins Gabriel Contest

Of interest to collectors generally, and to Religion on Stamps fans especially, is the result of world-wide voting for the best stamp design picturing the Blessed Virgin Mary sponsored by the St. Gabriel International Society for Collectors of Christian Mofor Collectors of Christian Mo-tives on Postage Stamps.



Winner was the 1954 Saar 10fr withner was the 1954 Saar 10fr of a set of three issued for the Marian Year. It reproduces Raffael Santi's painting, the "Sistine Madonna". The other two also reproduced famous paintings of the Holy Mother from engraved plates in vivid colors, Because of their beauty the trio was purchased by collectors of all kinds who rapidly depleted the stocks who rapidly depleted the stocks of the Saar post offices and later, stamp dealers.



In second place is another well In second place is another well known piece of art work, the "Pieta" by Michelangelo, as shown on a 1951 semipostal airmail of Argentina. Scott lists this item as No. CB-6. Surtaxes from the sale of this stamp were channelled to the Eva Peron Foundation. Foundation.

Third is a Hungarian semipost-al of 1940, the 20 plus 50f of a set of three produced in com-



memoration of the occupation of Transylvania. The design, according to the Scott Catalog, pictures "Virgin Mary and Szekler. It is one of many designs of a religious nature found on Hungarian stamps of the pre-communist days.

Of interest to Midwestern collectors will be the group of special philatelic exhibits being assembled in conjunction with the Second A.S.D.A. Midwest Postage Stamp Show, May 13 to 15 at the Palmer House, Chicago.

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Just announced, the slate of exhibits will include outstanding material supplied by the Philatelic Foundation, the Philatelic Foundation, the Philatelic Houseum, Smithsonian Institute, the United Nations and the U.S. Post Office Department.

In addition, the Franklin D. Roosevelt "Bouquets and Brickbats" cover collection, and a large part of the Harold Ickes collection have been promised by Minkus Publications, Inc., to highlight the section of the displays given over to private collections given over to private collections of well-known people.

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The special exhibit section is planned to complement the many frames of dealers' material and collections. This same purpose has been assigned to the educational program which will operate throughout the show. This program of lectures, slides and motion pictures is once again under the charge of Harry D. Thorsen, Jr., well-known Chicago collector associated so closely with the Scouts on Stamps Society. ciety.

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to be discovered and put into philatelic circulation. Well as far as #1 is concerned I'm doing my best to persuade both collectors and dealers to part with what Canada they have so that I may resell such to other collectors and dealers. It is quite a business to say the least, as anyone having any, generally prefers to hold on to Canadian stamps with a tenacity beyond all belief.

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There is however one source that I've tapped and whatever is secured is a joy to handle both to buy and sell because in buying one feels the money goes for worthwhile projects and in selling I know quite well, collectors will be delighted at the chance to rummage through these lots.

What are they? Well for months now a steady stream of parcels has been coming in from all over Canada. They come from thurch and parish groups, schools, Red Cross societies and numerous other organizations. These people band together, and pick up the stamps on paper from offices, banks, private homes and heaven knows where. I then pay them on the average a dollar a pound and everybody is happy though when one considers it a bit, to get a pound of stamps together must cost in time expended ten times what I pay but then the time expended is in a good cause.

They are of course mostly current stamps but Canada right now is in the mists of great philatelic changes, and there are all kinds of good coils, commonstitives, overprints, plus line clean copies of rather briefly issued stamps to be picked out of every pound. Remember nearly all these are from non-philatelic sources absolutely unpicked. One can also get now and then good foreign, plus older Canada that may have been ripped off old family correspondence. Anything can happen.

Do I pick over? Much as I'd enjoy going through the lots I wouldn't and couldn't do it even if someone offered me \$10.00 a lb. for the job. Just cannot spare the time. I'll sell these as received and let the buyer have the fun of going through the lots. In fact I'll advise what to look for and will gladly take certain items all washed off paper, giving for such, other stamps useful for one's collection.

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However this isn't quite all. I want a lot of people to have the fun of sorting these lots and I do want to get certain things that can be picked out: over and above what can be utilized for one's collection, so to encourage sales and to make sure no gamble at all is involved, I'm going to throw in entirely free with each and every pound a number of my own foreign odds and ends that actually are worth FAR MORE NET than the \$3.50 that is paid me.

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In writing the story of Boys' Ranch it is practically impossible to overlook some salient facts about the man who brought the ranch into being and who has been responsible for its astounding growth into one of the most humanitarian projects of this era. Cal Farley was born in Pilot Grove, Minn. and grew up at Hewitt. From the time he was old enough to ramble on his own, Farley was fascinated by sports. His interest in youth, said Farley, stems from his professional basebail days. When he was playing with Amarillo, he came to like the friendly Texas city and later returned there as a professional wrestler.

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During the depression days, wrestling and professional baseball took quite a beating and Farley and Dutch Mantell, another wrestler, took over the operation of an old tire shop. Ultimately, this old tire shop was built up into a \$700,000-a-year business. In the meantime, Farley never lost his intense interest in the welfare of boys. He participated in many youth activities, until 1939, when Boys' Ranch became a reality through the donation of 120 acres of land by the late Julian Bivins, famed rancher in the Panhandle.

Finally, faced with the choice of either devoting his entire time to the tire business or to Boys' Ranch, Farley made the latter decision and today is concerned solely with Boys' Ranch, furthering its operations and looking forward to the day when it will have permanent facilities for 500 boys.

To the casual visitor, Boys' Ranch is an amazing experience in human relations and human understanding, but to others it has a different significance. To Cal Farley, it is a dream come true; to Roy Rogers, motion picture cowboy star, it is one of his favorite projects, and he

keeps the boys well shod with cowboy boots; to Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney, just to mention two of the many sports personalities intorested, Boys' Ranch is worth more than all the adulation of hero-worshipping, autograph-seeking throngs. But to those who count most, the boys who are living there, Boys' Ranch is a real home on the range.

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From the small beginning in 1939 with six boys, the ranch has rapidly grown until today over 200 boys roam its 3000 acres occupied by 25 buildings, and it is still growing. During the year 1952 Boys' Ranch was raised from the status of a regional charity to that of a national institution.

For the first time, in 1953, Christmas seals were used to assist in raising funds. The board, and little boys have been, more or less, trade marks of Boys' Ranch for many years and so were incorporated into the seal design.

design.

The multicolored seals were printed in sheets of 32, straight edged all four sides, by the Fleming-Potter Co. of Peoria, Ill. At present, plans do not call for any change in design for future issues.

Brooklyn Bay Ridge Installs Officers

The Bay Ridge Stamp Society of Brooklyn, N. Y. has just moved its meeting place after 22 years. The club now meets at the Fort Hamilton Post #27 of the American Legion, 9002 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn 9, N. Y.

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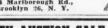
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One pictures a Punch & Judy Show: a second a native warrior, with the Cross of Lorraine on his shield, charging across a plain; lastly, a kangaroo hopping

plain; lastly, a kangaroo hopping along a country trail.

Mrs. E. L. Haines of Sydney was the designer. Printing was by lithography at O'Loughlin Bros. also of Sydney.

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Diamond Stamp Club Now In Second Year

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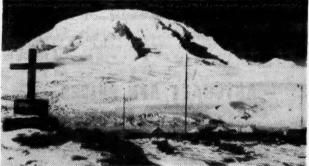
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Efforts of the members are now being concentrated in the staging of a stamp exhibition in May.

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The Australian polar exploration ship "Kista Dan" has returned The Australian polar exploration ship "Kista Dan" has returned from Antarctica with special souvenir mail bearing the Australian 3½d Antarctica stamp and cancelled on the Day of Issue of the stamp at Australia's three polar base post offices. The First Day in each case varied and the stamp had four distinct First Days of Issue as follows: Australia November 17, Macquarie Island December 23, Heard Island January 23 and Mawson February 16. Heard Island camp has since closed down. We offer a special range of Antarctica postcards each bearing the 3½d Antarctica stamp and each posted on the Day of Issue at the respective base:

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A new Ohio town. It's the first town in over fifteen months for Ohio. It is in the London area and nothing is known about the reason for use. The Type is the conventional U-121n. Was seen on a ½c Prexy.

A NEAR MISS.

And I am not speaking of females. Background of our story. Blissfield, Ohio is one of the scarcer if not the carcest of Ohio town precancels. As far as known only two copies exist. They are on the 1c 1926 issue. So picture yourself sorting through a real good mixture and all at once spying a portion of a stamp sticking ing a portion of a stamp sticking out from under some others, the word BLISSFIELD showing plainly.

plainly.

Of course I dropped all the stamps I had in my hand to quickly uncover the suspected stamp only to fird that it was a nice copy of Blissfield, Mich. It was on a 1c 1926 series too, a thing that I realized before I got it uncovered, and that made me awful shaky in the process.

Of course it was a big let down when the MICH. turned up but it was a good try anyhow. Sometime you are bound to find something good though.

DENOMINATION COLLECTION*

This is a collection generally made to a series of stamps. For instance the Presidential series. It then consists of each of one value of the series through the \$1 denomination from each state. I have seen the collection set up gathering all ½c values from all the states at one place in the collection, all the lc, etc. Either way it's quite an undertaking as some of the denominations from the scarcer states really take a lot of searching to turn up.

Here are a few that are tough.

Here are a few that are tough. Remember it doesn't matter what Remember it doesn't matter what town or city in the state. Any 16c from Alabama, 2lc from Colorado, 22c from Kansas, 17c from New Hampshire. And a state like Mississippi, well 1.0st of the values above the 10c are a little rough. However it must be fun considering the number of collectors trying it.

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The Aden designs will include a portrait of the sultan, while the English and Arabic inscriptions will be changed to the above in place of the former "Qu'aiti State of Shihr and Mukalla".

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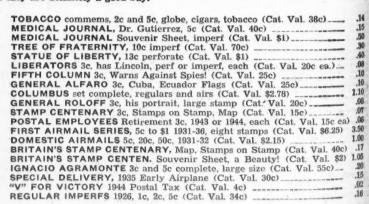
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#266-267. Emanuel Swedenborg,

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#266-267. Emanuel Swedenborg,
1688-1772, was the founder of a religious system and a versatile
scientist. The portrait is by Per
Krafft the Elder, 1724-1793, and is
now in Gripsholm Castle. This artist was born in Arboga, studied
under Roslin in Paris, and became
court painter in Warsaw. After he
returned to Sweden in 1768, he executed some excellent portraits in
clear, harmonizing colors.

#272. Queen Christina, daughter
of Gustavus Adolphus II, reigned
from 1632 until her abdication in
1654. She was converted to Catholicism and died in Rome in 1689. The
design is after the portrait by Sebastien Bourdon, 1616-1671, now in
the National Museum. He painted
her in a simple black dress with
white collar, and rendered in a
distinguished manner her pale aristocratic Vasa features with the
large, greyish-blue eyes.

#290-292. Henrik Ling, 1776-1838,
the founder of Swedish gymnastics
and a poet of note. He received
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#293, 295. J. J. Berzelius, 1779-1848, gained international fame with his researches in chemistry and his "Textbook of Chemistry." The portrait is after a painting by Olaf Johan Sodermark, 1790-1848, in the Academy of Science, Stockholm. During the twenty years preceding his death, he was the best portrait painter in Sweden. As a young man he distinguished himself as a soldier and received the medal of honor for bravery in the war with Norway in 1814.

#294, 296. Carl von Linne, 1707-1778, was the world-famous naturalist who introduced the sexual system in the classification of plants

1778, was the world-famous naturalist who introduced the sexual system in the classification of plants. He was the first chairman of the Royal Academy of Science. The portrait is after the painting by A. Roslin, 1718-1793, in the Academy of Science, Stockholm. From the middle of the 18th century, Alexander Roslin was the painter of high society in Paris, and massed a large fortune by his portraits of the Parisian aristocraey. He was famous for his great ability in reproducing silk and satin and for creating a general impression of elegance.



#310-312. Karl Mikael Bellman, 1740-1795, was Sweden's greatest popular poet. He called his verse "musical poetry" and nearly everything he wrote is intended to be sung. The portrait is after a medallion by Sergel.

#313-315. Johan Tobias Sergel, 1740-1814. His is the first and greatest name in the plastic art of Sweden. He was the creator of many remarkable works of art and of monuments. The stamp portrait is after a bust in marble by Sergel in the National Museum.

#316-318. Reformers presenting the Bible to Gustavus Vasa. This reproduces a painting by J. G. Sandberg, in Upsala Cathedral, dated 1830. According to an article by Mr. Winfield Hain, in the "COROS Chronicle", June 1952 the following are represented on the stamp: behind the king, standing, is his chancellor. Olavus Petri is on the extreme right and Laurentius Petri is the remaining figure. It is regarded by some historians that Laurentius took the initiative It is regarded by some historians that Laurentius took the initiative in the first translation of the Bible

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the designer of the Royal Palace (#322); also a connoisseur of art and a great collector who rendered possible the foundation of the Swedish State Museum of Art on June 28, 1792. The portrait is after a pastel by G. Lundberg, 1695-1786, in the National Museum. Gustaf Lundberg was the first Swedish painter to become known in Paris. His pastel painting—a genuinely rococo form of art—won the admiration of his time. He became the vogue at court and his portraits of women were considered especially fine. Tessin procured for Lundberg a place in the French Academy of Painting.

#335. Carl Wilhelm Scheele, 1742-1786, was a chemist with a worldwide reputation. This is not considered an authentic portrait.

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#345-346. Oscar Montelius, 1843-1921, the archaeologist, was the King's Custodian of Antiquities from 1907 to 1913. The portrait is after a painting by Professor Eme-rik Stenberg, 1873-1927. Stenberg, a native of Stockholm, pictured in an honest and conscientious manner an honest and conscientious manner the people of Dalecarlia and shows an exceptional power of character-ization. The portrait of Montelius ranks with his best, It hangs in the Academy of History and Antiqui-ties.



#352. Clas Fleming, 1592-1644, was a Swedish Vice Admiral and Military Governor of Stockholm. The portrait is after a painting by Lorentz Pasch the Younger, 1733-1805, now in the Law Courts, Stockholm. The portrait painter was the most eminent of the well known Pasch family of artists. He studied under Pilo in Copenhagen and Boucher in Paris.

#363-364. Viktor Rydberg, 1828-1895, was one of Sweden's greatest poet and prose writers. The portrait was designed after one by A. G. A. Edelfelt, 1854-1905, Finnish portrait, genre, and landscape painter, which is in the National Museum.

#377-379. Esaias Tegner, 1782-

painter, which is in the National Museum.

#377-379. Esaias Tegner, 1782-1846, was a professor, a bishop, and one of Sweden's poets. The design is after a bust by J. N. Bystrom, 1783-1848. Bystrom was a pupil of Sergel, but far from his equal.

#383-385. Erik Gustaf Geijer, 1783-1847, historian, philosopher, poet, and composer. The original portrait is by J. G. Sandberg, in the Academy of Arts, Stockholm.

#404-7. August Strindberg, 1849-1912, is an internationally known dramatist and novelist. The portrait is after a painting by Richard Bergh, 1858-1919. Bergh is considered a profound thinker, a seeker after knowledge, and a philosopher of art almost as much as a painter. As director of the National Museum from 1914 till his death, he rendered invaluable services to Swedish art.

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#427-429. Christopher Polhem, 1661-1751, is called the "Father of Swedish engineering". The portrait is after one by Georg Engelhard Schroder, 1664-1750, and not by Scheffel as was earlier announced. It is in the Academy of Science, Stockholm. Schroder was a portrait painter for the court and the last type of the somewhat bombastic German-Italian baroque style.

#432-433. Preacher Addressing

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#432-433. Preacher Addressing
Followers. As there is no true likeness of Olavus Petri in existence, ithe stamp reproduces a woodcut from the 15th century prayer book.

Een Bone-book used by Petri.

#449. Old Stockholm. According to Winfield Hain, president of COROS, the stamp reproduces a copper engraving made by W. Hartman in 1650, which is in the City

issued honoring Anna Maria Lenngren, 1754-1817, an eminent Swedish writer and poetess. The portrait was after a medallion by Sergel.

On November 8, 1954, stamps were issued showing the "hallristningar" (rock carvings). These figures, carved in rock, date back about three thousand years and were the first attempt to write about big events in this part of the world. According to Martin Bostrom, of Orebro, Sweden, they are of two kinds: one with crude drawof two kinds: one with crude drawings of animals, the other of better grade drawings and signs. They have different meanings, depending on how they are drawn.

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be a stamp for the Swedish author Per Daniel Atterbom. The design will be taken from a sculptured relief by Bengt Erland Fogelberg, 1786-1854. He is noteworthy chiefly for his efforts to find a plastic form for the gods of Norse mythology. After receiving an Academy Award, he went to Paris where he studied with Bosio and Guerin, and later studied in Rome. He returned to Sweden in 1845. to Sweden in 1845.

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Cuban Centenary Show In November

Announcement has been made Announcement has been made that Cuba's centenary stamp exhibition commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the first Cuban postage stamp, will be held in Havana from November 12 through November 19. The exhibition will be under the direction of a commission appointed by the Cuban Government of which Dr. B. Cruz Planas, president of the Club Filatelico de la Republica de Cuba, is chairman.

dent of the Club Filatelico de la Republica de Cuba, is chairman. The American Air Mail Society will hold its annual convention in Havana during the exhibition. John P. V. Heinmuller, president, states that the society's convention will be held on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, November 13, 14, and 15.

Rafael Oriol. a resident vice-

November 13, 14, and 15.

Rafael Oriol, a resident vicepresident of the society who is
also vice-chairman of the exhibition, is serving as chairman of
the convention committee.

A special series of airmails
will be issued in connection with
the show. They will be released
on November 12 with appropriate first day of issue cancellation and ceremonies.

The designs, denominations

The designs, denominations and quantities authorized to be printed are as follows: — 8c, Wright Brothers Airplane (250,-000); 12c, Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis" (300,000); 24c, A dirigible (100,000); 30c A Super-Constellation plane (100,000); 50c, A Delta-Wing Convair plane (50,-000).

The designs will also include certain scenes and allegories appropriate to the occasion. Printing will be in three colors in sheets of twenty. This one is not to be confused with the set of stamps being released in April to commemorate the centenary of the first postage stamp. the first postage stamp.

The exhibition will be held in the Palacio de Bellas Artes. Special arrangements will be made for facilitating handling of exfor facilitating handling of exhibits through customs and other formalities. Those planning to exhibit or to attend can receive additional information as available by contacting L. B. Gatchell, 6 The Fairway, Upper Montclair, N. J.



pril 11-30-Muskegon Stamp Club. Hack-ley Art Gallery, Muskegon, Mich. April 15—New York and New Jersey chap-ters ATA, Railroad Men's YMCA, 224 E. 47th St., New York City, 7:30 to 10 p.m.

April 15-17—Ogden Hill and Beverly Hill Stamp Clubs. Hamilton Park Fieldhouse, Chicago, Ill. April 16—Boise Stamp Club, YMCA, Boise Idaho.

April 16—Albion Stamp Club, Baldwin Hall, Albion College campus, Albion, Mich. April 16—Women's Philatelic Society of New York, Collectors Club 22 E, 38th St., New York City.

Apri 16-17—Stanislaus Stamp Club, Cham-ber of Commerce Rooms. Modesto, Calif. April 17—East Cleveland Philatelic Society, East Cleveland YMCA, Cleveland, Ohio. April 19—Bay Ridge Stamp Society American Legion Post, 9002 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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May 1—Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs. Sheldon Munn Hotel, Ames. Iowa. May 7—Women's International Stamp Club, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., 1 to 5 p.m., New York City.

May 11—La Mesa Philatelic Society, American Legion Hall, La Mesa, Calif. May 13-15—Rocky Mountain Philatelic Exhibition, Shirley-Savoy Hotel, Denver. Colo.

May 14—Central Pennsylvania Stamp Get-Together, State College Hotel, State Col-lege, Pa. Mt. Nittany Philatelic Society hosts.

May 28-30—Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs, Eugene Hotel, Eugene, Oregon. June 3-5—Texas Philatelic Assn., Plaza Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas, Sea Gull Stamp Club, hosts.

June 17-19—American Topical Assn., Orlando Hotel, Decatur, Ill., Decatur Stamp Club, hosts.

June 25-26—Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs, West Palm Beach, Fla. Palm Beach Co. Stamp Club, hosts Fontana, Calif. Aug. 25-28—Society of Philatelic Americans convention-exhibition, Louisville, Ky.

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The buildings issue was produced during a period when man

duced during a period when machinery, paper, raw materials such as gum, printing inks etc. were critical items. The fact that no single firm was capable to print the entire issue led to the employment of two printing establishments. These firms were equipped with varying machines both for printing and perforating. The new booklet, translated into the most readable non-technical English by German specialist Major H. L. Halle, gives a detailed, comprehensive running ac-

tailed, comprehensive running ac-count of this Postwar German is-sue. With the help of this booklet a novice is in a position to make up a specialized collection. Large scale illustrations and

Large scale illustrations and drawings accompany the text and are a considerable aid in detecting desirable varieties. This catalogue is available at the moderate price of 75c from Service and Regalia Co., 48 Franklin Ave., White Plains, N. Y.

Western ASDA Show At Ambassador Hotel

The selection of the Ambassa of the Aspalas and of the Ambassa-dor Hotel in Los Angeles, as the site for the first Western Post-age Stamp Show, sponsored by the Southern California Chapter of the ASDA, May 27 through 30, offers vacationists an opportun-ity for an enjoyable December. oners vacationists an opportunity for an enjoyable Decoration

ity for an enjoyable Decoration Day week-end, according to Dave Cohn, show chairman.

Centrally located in the fashionable Wilshire Center midway between downtown Los Angeles and Hollywood, the Ambassador is convenient to Los Angeles shopping, business, movie and television studios and entertainment centers. Reservations can be made direct with the hotel or through the show committee chairman.

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Philatelic club members will be welcomed to the show by representatives of their various organizations; Mrs. Emily Moorefield of Long Beach will be hostess in the Society of Philatelic Americans' lounge; Dr. Manly P. Hall, president of the Southern California Federation of Philatelic Clubs, and George Forsdyke will welcome Federation members. Mrs. M. E. McCalmout will represent the American Topical Association; Stanley Beecher and Ernest Rankin will preside in the American Philatelic Society lounge.

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Monday evenings with a closing time of 8 p.m.

For further information, write Dave Jay Cohn, Box 1111, Studio City, Calif., or contact the Am-bassador Hotel direct.

Wayne Society **Elects New Officers**

Newly elected officers of the Wayne Stamp Society of Detroit, Mich. are president Ward Alkema; vice presidents Francis G. Weber and Roland A. Brooks; treasurer Kenneth Fulton; secretary Lawrence Vincent 5026 Drexel, Detroit 13 Mich. rence Vit 13, Mich.

The club meets the second and fourth Wednesdays at the Cannon Memorial Recreation Center near East Warren and Cadieux Rds. in Detroit. Visitors are always welcome.

Post Card Collectors Choose New Officers

Choose New Officers
Joseph J. Nardone was elected president of the Metropolitan Post Card Collectors Club of New York City. Fellow officers are vice president Ben Shiffrin; corresponding secretary Walter Czubay, 3117 36th St. Astoria 6, N. Y.; recording secretary Joan M. Springer; treasurer Al Weiss. Meetings are open to interested persons and are held on the first and third Fridays at the Joan of Arc Community Center, 154 W. 93rd St.

Canadian Air Line Has Special Cover

Trans-Canada Air Lines issued first flight covers marking the inaugural flight of the Vickers Viscount in North America April 1.

Initial route of the new ser-

April 1.

Initial route of the new service using the 40-passenger propeller-turbine aircraft is between Montreal and Winnipeg with stops at Toronto and Fort William - Port Arthur. Viscount flights are scheduled later for Toronto-New York (April 4), Montreal-New York, Toronto-Cleveland and Toronto-Chicago, as well as increases in service to include Windsor and Ottawa.

First flight covers were carried only on the westbound Montreal-Winnipeg flight. Attractively designed in two colors, the cover shows the Viscount nameplate in heraldic tone, the TCA insignia and the designated route on the left hand margin. The covers are addressed but ample space has been provided to allow collectors to make their own insertions. They are cancelled by the post office at Montreal and backstamped at Winnipeg. Distribution will be handled by TCA's Toronto office.

Philatelists requesting first flight covers should enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope sufficiently large to contain the cover addressed to First Flight Covers, Public Relations Office, Trans-Canada Air Lines, 737 Church St., Toronto, Canada. Covers will be supplied free of charge on the above conditions, and only one to an individual.

Plan ATA Chapter In Bloomington, Ill.

The American Topical Association has completed plans to form a branch chapter in Bloomington, a branch chapter in Bloomington, Ill. A chapter formation meeting of topical and other collectors will be held April 26 at the home of Delbert E. Youngblood, 1301 N. Linden St., at 7:30 p. m. A variety of pages of topical stamp material will be shown for the benefit of non-topical.

Purposes of the A. T. A. and how it helps collectors will be explained. All interested collectors, including beginners in this field, are invited to attend this meeting.

Collectors of topical stamps in other areas who might wish information on membership in the a b

formation on membership in the American Topical Association, or on the forming of branch chapters in their own communities, can write Allyn H. Wright, 469 W. 166th St., New York 32, N. Y.

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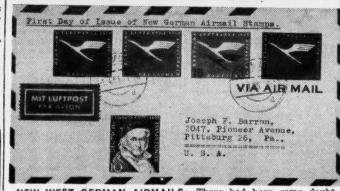
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NEW WEST GERMAN AIRMAILS. There had been some doubt that the new airmail service by Lufthansa would come into being on April 1 due to disagreements between management and the pilots over wage matters. However the above first day cover postmarked April 1 seems to be evidence that all was well, at least publicly, with the air line. The stamps, picturing a stylized bird, are 5pf violet, 10pf green, 15pf blue and 20pf red. The cover was submitted by Joseph F. Barron of Pittsburgh, Pa.

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ARGENTINA — To commemorate the Congress of Greater Production and Social Well-Being, a 3 peso stamp was issued on March 21. The design of this commemorative pictures two clasped hands, the Argentine flag and the emblem of the Congress. Three sides of the border of the stamp have the name of the Con-

Three sides of the border of the stamp have the name of the Congress.

BELGIUM — On March 25, advises the Administration of Posts, a three-value set was issued on the occasion of the Exposition of Charles V and his times, being held at Gand from April 2 to June 30. A 20c pictures hommage being paid to the infant Charles V, taken from a painting by Albrecht De Vriendt; the 2fr pictures a bust of Charles V from a painting by Louis Gallait.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC — General Rafael L. Trujillo has been President of the Republic for twenty-five years. To mark this anniversary, a seven-value set is to be issued on May 16. Four postage values will be: 2c vermilion, picturing Trujillo in military uniforn; 4c light green, Trujillo in civilian dress; 7c aquamarine, Statue of Trujillo to be erected in a park near the Cathedral where Columbus' remains are buried; 10c sepia, a prize winning design chosen from the competition, picturing a symbolical representation of the "Era of Trujillo".

Airmail values will be: 11c blue and red, showing flags of the Republic and General Trujillo; 25c lilac, Trujillo and his brother; 33c ochre, Trujillo in military uniform.

HONDURAS — The United Nations set of stamps was overprinted to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Rotary International and was issued on February 23. The overprint is red and is on the 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 30c and 1L. The overprint includes the Rotary Insignia.

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PHILIPPINES — On April 1,
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Filipinos series was issued and
pictures a bust portrait of Father
Burgos, an educator and patriot.
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value, in blue. value, in blue.

Swedish Postmark For Textile Fair

For the Third Textile Fair at Gothenburg, Sweden, that nation produced a special postmark which was applied to mail at the exhibition post office. Special temporary post offices and cancelations are set up for many such prominent events by various nations of Europe.

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A cover sent by Henry Runhag of Enkoping, Sweden has an impression of the postmark, it including the appropriate wording and date, and a winged hat.

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Various dealers will want to time some of their advertising to appear in conjunction with the special editions of Linn's Weekly Stamp News sponsored by different specialist groups. These editions are always the last one of each month and contain a splendid amount of information about the particular country or specialty.

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The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:—

April 25—COROS, Collectors of Religion on Stamps Society. May 30 — American Topical Association. June 27—Scouts on Stamps So-

July 25—International Ryukyu Stamp and Coin Society.

Further-inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.



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Denominations will be 15 and 25 Markka with each having a printing of two million copies. Olavi Vepsalainen is responsible for the designs with B. Ekholm being credited with the engraving of the 15mk and R. Achren that of the 25mk.

In 1154 the Bishop Henrik and the Swedish king Eric decided to engage in a crusade to carry Christianity to Finland. This was accomplished with the use of armed forces, at least to conquer the Finns if not to convert them. When the conquest had been assurred Eric returned to his kingdom and left the bishop to his holy work.

However, the following year, Bishop Henrik was murdered by a man named Lalli. The 15mk design pictures the bishop with his foot on Lalli's head as asymbol that Christ surmounts all difficulties. The 25mk shows the bishop and his monks arriving by boat on Finnish shores.

Martin Bostrom, Hertig Karlsalle 59B, Orebro, Sweden who sent the information above, advises that the event commemorated has important religious significance in Finland.

Miami Beach Has New Stamp Club

Recently organized was the Miami Beach, Fla. Stamp Club which is currently meeting on the first and third Fridays at the Community Center 21st and Washington Ave. The initial meeting attracted such lights as mayor Harold Shapiro and entertainers from the various night spots, dealers and "winter" citizens.

Bruce Ball was chosen to see

that things are running smoothly from the official angle. Other of-ficers are yet to be elected.

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	*B81-6	6.00	3.50	2.00
Bahamas	*92-5	3.95	2.30	1.58
Dom. Rep.	0241-7	2.65	1.71	.88
	⊙C20	.50	.30	.17
Ecuador	°C19-24	7.50	3.00	2.50
Finland	⊙B2-4	1.65	. 1.10	.55
	⊙B5-7	1.45	1.35	.48
Germany	*B119	4.00	1.95	1.33
Netherlands	OB58-61	2.30	1.20	.77
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Just a small sampling, but it typifies the one collection of stamps in an International Jr. Vol. I that is offered at bargain prices! Prices are 2/5 for British and Hawaii, 1/3 of 1954 (not 1955) Scott catalog for all others. A few more random selections:

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Various articles, pamphlets and brochures have been printed since about these issues and if gathered at one spot would make quite a reference book. While all such informative pieces have not been so collected to date, the informative pieces have not been so collected to date, the informative pieces have not been so collected to date, the informative pieces and it appears in back-

so collected to date, the information has and it appears in book form under the title, "The Postage Stamps and Postal Stationery of the United Nations".

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In preparing his material, Mr. Patrick received the full cooperation of the United Nations Postal Administration, and had access to all relevant United Nations documents. Philatelic data of major importance was also contributed by many eminent authorities.

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The book may be purchased from the United Nations Bookshop, UN headquarters, New York, at a cost of \$4.00. It may also be bought from other bookshops, and from the publisher, the Ryerson Press, 299 Queen Street West, Toronto 2-B, Canada.

College Stamp Club **Federation Planned**

Members of the University of Pennsylivania Philatlic Society are currently formulating plans to establish a national Federation of Collegiate Stamp Clubs. Since there is no national philatelic organization devoted to the interests of college - age stamp collectors, this group would be unique. unique.

unique.

Its purpose is to coordinate the activities of the individual clubs scattered in colleges and universities throughout the country. Suggestions for meeting programs, speakers, exhibitions, and other activities would be supplied regularly to the member clubs. The federation will also endeavor to start stamp clubs on campuses by helping individuals at each school to do so.

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The organizers of the federation would appreciate hearing
from collegiate stamp clubs or
people who know of schools that
do have them. Anyone who is
interested in forming a club on
his campus is invited to write
for information to Gerald H.
Strauss, 7205 Hanford St., Philadelphia 49, Pa.

Formosan Rates Jump Substantially

Postage rates on Nationalist China's bastion of Formosa jumped from 30% to 50%, depending on the class of mail. April 1. The Rev. Michael J. O'Connor, resident on the island, believes that as a result new stamps and poetal stationery can be expected.

Airmail to the world at large jumped from \$5 to \$7; for letters by air to Hong Kong and Macau, from \$1.60 to \$2. Airletters took a 50% boost from \$3 to \$4.50.

Finger Lakes Club **Elects Bocker Prexy**

Charles Bocker was elected president of the Finger Lakes Stamp Club of Geneva, N. Y. when members balloted for a new official family recently. As assistants, he has vice president Frank Mowrer; treasurer Charles Caswell; secretary Harold Legg, 187 Nursery Ave., Geneva 4, N. Y.

Visitors are always free to attend the meetings which are held on the second Monday and fourth Wednesday in the Chamber of Commerce Building.

Dealer Doings

Details of a most interesting trip to Norway and Sweden for the International Stamp Exhibitions there are available from the Sebok Travel Service, 561 Diversey, Chicago 14, Ill. which has an ad in this edition. Several an ad in this edition. Several plans are offered which include a delightful motor tour through seven other countries including Holland, Belgium, Switzerland

Another album has been added to the growing list of Lindner Hingeless Albums. Two sections are now available for the stamps of Trieste — Zone A, and Zone B. A descriptive circular and album contents pricing all stamps. bum contents, pricing all stamps contained therein, will be mailed by the Lindner Co., Bergenfield, N. J. Stamps are held on the page in clear plastic pockets.

May 9 is the date of the 11th mail auction of the Walter Gisiger Co., 110 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. In the more than 1700 lots will be found a fine assortment of United States 19th and 20th century, British Commonwealth, General Foreign and a quality group of wholesale lots. The illustrated catalog will be sent to requests mentioning Linn's.

A field day for the collector of U. S. plate number blocks should be provided by the auction of John W. Rymsza, 6048 Elmwood Ave., Philadelphia 42, Pa, in this edition. Mint, complete matched sets of all the commems from the Famous Americans to the Eastman and including airmails are offered. There is also a large offering of plates in wholesale quantities. quantities.

Back to stay from a tour of duty in Korea is Paul Applebaum, P. O. Box 331, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Mr. Applebaum specializes in approvals of foreign stamps of practically all the nations of the world. Stamps can be gotten in mint and used condition, in singles and sets. The pricing is said to be most reasonable, and the service rendered topnotch.

John D. Hayes, 15377 Kentucky Ave., Detroit 38. Mich. is distri-buting his 1955 U. S. Price List, No. 31 to all interested persons at No. 31 to all interested persons at 25c per copy which sum is deductible from the first \$2 order. Clearly printed, it has 72 pages and over 400 illustrations, and is pocket - size. When the new ones he now has are gone, there will be no more until December.

Mixture hunting, or hunting through mixtures, to put it another way, is one of the most fascinating pastimes of stamp collectors. Alvin J. Fairbrook, 133fascinating pastimes of stamp col-lectors. Alvin J. Fairbrook, 133-21 Blossom Ave., Flushing 55, N. Y. has a List of Mixtures by Weight which is free. It offers the popular sealed kilos, Mission-ary Mixtures, World Mixtures and a number of Common Mix-

Just about everything from the Just about everything from the early rare stampless to some of the modern day historical covers are to be found in a collection which is being broken up by The Belham Exchange, P. O. Box 119, Ridgewood Sta., Brooklyn 27, N. Y. Some of the world stampless date from 1500. Then there are ship, balloon and pioneer flight items along with other U. S. and foreign.

An accident in the printing plant where the Mueller Catalog for Germany and Saar is printed, destroyed the one press on which such production was possible. Service and Regalia Co., 48 Franklin Ave., White Plains, N. Y., U. S. agents, state that orders they have for the book will be held for the 1956 edition unless refunds are asked for at once.

Readers of Linn's can feel assured that a number of excellent offers of stamps and other philatelic material are coming their way through June, July and Augway inrough June, July and August, months which in years past have been considered slow ones in philately. A number of dealers have stated they are preparing special offers for these months—hot buys for the hot months!

The board of judges are now busily at work reading and grading the entries in the contest sponsored by the Tribune Stamp Co., P. O. Box 173, Ansonia Sta., New York 23, N. Y. Entrants were asked to tell why they col-lected New Issues in so many words. Winners will be an-nounced in the near future in this paper and will also be noti-fied by mail.

Advises Interest In "Precancels"

· J. L. Jones

The field of Precancels, in my estimation, is the most interesting of all stamp collecting, I direct this article to those who do not at present collect precancels. The many different ways in which a collection of them may be formed in fascinating as for instance. collection of them may be formed is fascinating, as for instance should one desire to collect precancels on a more or less limited basis he may specialize in collecting the towns of his home state, or any favorite state.

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Citing an example, Nevada has 21 towns that have used precancels, using 40 types of precancellation, California falls in a high er bracket with 591 towns having used 1002 types.

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Also one may collect any group of states, such as Southern states,

Also one may collect any group of states, such as Southern states, New England states, Western states, and etc., whichever are to his particular liking. Another phase is to collect precancels on a certain series of stamps, such as the Defense issue, the War issue, the Presidentials or pre-presidential issues. Several persons I know have chosen the Bureau print varieties printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, D.C. while the stamps themselves are in the making.

These Bureaus started in 1916 as an experiment and were issued for Auguste. Maine; New Orleans, La.; and Springfield, Mass. A total of 21 varieties came out and proved successful. Next came what is known now as the Old types which were in use until 1927, numbering 1142 varieties. Then came the new Standard types of 2019 varieties while in 1938 came the Presidential issue. For the Standard type we have 1239 varieties. When the regulation called for narrow spacing in order that controls might be adhave 1239 varieties. When the regulation called for narrow spacing in order that controls might be added, the lines were drawn in close and this is what we know as B-15,—on these we have 1239 varieties (as of publication date of the 36th edition of Mitchell-Hoover Official entries.)

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Then there are 101 varieties of wide Defense, 262 varieties of Narrow defense and 48 varieties on the War issue. So you may readily see that Bureaus cover a wide field, one may choose either of these series or better still collect them all.

Another kind of collection that

Another kind of collection that Another kind of collection that has proven very popular is known as a Denomination collection, that is, to get one stamp of each denomination from each state. Start which makes 30 stamps from each st te or 1590 stamps from all states and territories. For your informa-

state or 1590 stamps from all states and territories. For your information I started one of these in 1948 and I still need 144 items to make my collection complete.

In addition to the above-mentioned ways in which one may start a collection of precancels there are many more, including one I think I should tell you about and that is Printed controls. A Printed control is any precancel and that is Printed controls. A
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